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THE GRAND.  
ALL WEEK—Eagle's Nest  
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ALL WEEK—Vaudeville

WEATHER.  
WASHINGTON, Jan. 5.—For Lower Michigan—Fair, except snow in eastern portion, Friday morning; colder; northwesterly winds, becoming variable.

## GRANDLY VINDICATED.

Senator Stockbridge will succeed himself as senator for the state of Michigan. The splendid vote by which the joint caucus of the republican members of the legislature nominated him is a tribute to personal worth: the which any man may esteem none too highly. With an opposition, led by a wealth and influence rarely encountered in a political contest, Senator Stockbridge is re-nominated by a clear majority over all, and on the first ballot. The result is not only a personal and political triumph for himself, but it is a distinguishing proof that the republican members of the legislature are dominated by a majority of intelligent, incorruptible and patriotic men. Senator Stockbridge has merited his preference. He has been a consistent, hard-working republican senator, in all the expression implies. He has been steadfast in his devotion to republican principles, while at the same time he has recognized the necessities and interests of the people in all proposed legislative enactments. He has been the best friend the republican party in Michigan ever had and the party in return for that friendship has proved it is not ungrateful. THE HERALD is fully persuaded that the verdict of the caucus will be ratified by the republican masses. Ex-Governor Luce has met with a severe disappointment. It is probable that his political course is run. He is too good a republican to attribute his defeat to other than a paucity of votes. Had the divided opposition consolidated on him he would have failed to receive enough votes to elect. The mistakes of his preliminary campaign were fatal ones. It will profit little to recall them except to guide future aspirants. It may be said in passing that while Mr. Luce himself is a conscientious and thoroughly honest man, his campaigner unwittingly exposed him to a suspicion of being insincere and hypocritical that could not be dispelled while he retained as advisers the men whom the body of the party distrusted. The contest is now over, the bitterness engendered should be forgotten and the best interests of the party should be made paramount to all other considerations. THE HERALD has followed its convictions of right in this contest, as it does in all other matters. It is gratified over the result; but has no desire to increase the discomfiture of the defeated parties.

## RIGHT TO THE POINT.

Plain, direct and comprehensive, Governor Rich's first message to the legislature embodies all the points of a model state paper. Its comparative brevity is a welcome innovation. Its clearness and logical deductions are characteristic of its author. The message is introduced by calling attention to the necessity for good roads. From this it may be understood that the governor considers the subject of greatest importance. In this conclusion he will be supported by every taxpayer. In recommending that the election laws be so modified as to admit of reasonable expenditures by candidates for legitimate campaign work, he voices the general belief that some of the inhibitions are practically without justification. The suggestion that the votes be counted and the results bulletined during the progress of the election is a laudable one. Such a plan will remedy the manifest shortcomings of the present system. That the world's fair board will need an additional appropriation properly to exhibit all the features of our varied interests has been apparent for some time. The governor recommends that the additional appropriation be made. The state institutions are referred to briefly, their conditions being set forth in detail in the reports of their respective officers. Governor Rich mildly criticizes the change from separate boards of control for the institutions of similar character to one central board, made by the democrat. He cannot discern that the state nor the institutions have profited by the change. He is charitable enough to say that there may be something in the claim that the new plan has had no fair trial. There is every reason why provision should be made for the solution of the indeterminate sentence law, pronounced by the courts to be unconstitutional. Some of these reasons he alludes to in his recommendation on that subject, in his experience

ence as railroad commissioner he gathered a clear understanding of the relations of the railway corporations to the state. He believes that the special privileges granted to the pioneer railway companies, and enjoyed for years, should be revoked and vacated. The great competing corporations of today should be placed on equal footing. He points out the way for accomplishing this result without impairing the obligations of existing contracts. As a whole, the document will commend itself as an able, conscientious and complete resume of our present and prospective needed legislation.

## WINANS' MESSAGE.

In sharp contrast to the terse treatment of public questions by Governor Rich is the laudatory defense of democratic measures and the references in detail to each public institution by ex-Governor Winans. Not to say that the latter's message is mediocre in its treatment of the several topics, but his separate and distinct references to each of them could better be condensed into one comprehensive paragraph. Without crediting the true sources for economy in the management of Jackson prison, Governor Winans boasts that for the past two years, for the first time in its history, that institution has been self-sustaining. For many years the necessities of that institution have demanded repeated repairs, additions and internal improvements. These have been a continuing source of expense. When the democrat warden entered the prison he found it in a perfect condition. An expensive system of modern sewerage was finished. The new cell block was ready for occupancy. The system for purchasing supplies had been reduced to an exact science, by which he has since profited. The discipline was admirable. The wholesome influence of a well-kept library and opportunity for education were exerting themselves to their fullest potency. In short the republican management of the prison had brought it to the threshold of self-maintenance when the democrat took possession. They have reaped the fruit of others' intelligence and business sagacity. Conditions being the same the wardenship of Mr. Davis in comparison with that of his immediate predecessor is a comparative failure. He has saved a few dollars by pursuing the policy established by Warden Hatch in the purchase of supplies. But the discipline has deteriorated and the escapes have been numerous. The awful killing of Cuddy and other brutal attacks by convicts show the lack of discipline. Governor Winans overlooked these things to compliment himself and the warden. There are no other features of the message worthy of special note except it be his somewhat impatient reference to long sessions of the legislature. Governor Winans thinks, or at least he says he thinks, that the free railroad pass is largely responsible for long sessions. He intimates that if the legislators were compelled to pay their fares to and from home the Friday adjournment would be abolished. It is probable that until the per diem rate of compensation is increased, the free pass evil will continue to flourish. Mr. Winans' message is well written. Were his conclusions less partisan, not to say self-laudatory, it would compare favorably with his preceding compositions.

REPRESENTATIVE WHITE has introduced several measures affecting this city in the house. In view of the facts that their nature has been scrupulously concealed from the public and no discussion has been had upon their merits, it will be well to make haste slowly in considering them. Mr. White should not forget that his reputation as a legislator is likely to be shocked by his manifestation of too much previousness.

Out of the fifty-two votes so early and often pledged to ex-Governor Luce he received just twenty. Such exaggerated claims might have been evidence of brilliant political strategy on the part of ex-Governor Luce's managers, but it will strike the average person as being more conspicuously indicative of bull-headed lying.

MEASURED by the distinct and decisive triumphs of the men it supports and the tribulations of them that reject its proffered friendship, it will puzzle some few soured and disgruntled politicians to explain why THE HERALD is always on the right side of republican sentiment.

ENGLENS' wheat crop is 150,000,000 bushels short; but our own is slightly above the average in yield. Wheat in America is the lowest ever known in price, but before spring our farmers will probably reap benefit from the misfortune of their English brethren.

Mrs. MARY LEASE withdrew from the senatorial contest in Kansas, and the same day a well of natural gas was struck in the state. Kansas is bound to keep to the front.

TYPHUS fever still rages in New York and is now an epidemic. Verily Tammany is great, and its methods of government unique beyond all other methods.

It will require the use of a microscope to discover the extent of Tom Palmer's political pull in the future. He hit off more than he could make.

GROVER says Murphy isn't a fit man for the senatorship, and Murphy says he's a better man than Grover. That's the substance of the New York squabble.

It will now be in order for The Eagle to explain that while Mr. Stockbridge was not its first choice, it is prepared to say that he is a republican.

POPE fresh cholera cases have been reported in Dunkirk. If America does

not wish to be swept from coast to coast by the dreaded disease, immigration must be restricted—if not absolutely prohibited.

"JULIUS CAESAR," whose suspension from the force of mail carriers created some surprise last summer, has been given a position as janitor by Spenser Tatum.

SENATOR WEISS has already introduced a bill to repeal the Miner law. Thus one of the pledges of the party is early redeemed.

EVIDENTLY the Eagle hasn't heard from election yet. It still prints "the marriage licenses issued by County Clerk Harvey."

St. Louis is torn up by a brewery war. During the reduction in beer rates the effect of the coal combine is not felt.

FOR SALE—A boom; not shopworn and just as good as new. Apply to Palmer, Rust, Hodge & Co.

WILLIAM ALDEN SMITH fought like a Trojan and submits to the will of the majority like a republican.

MICHIGAN republicans know enough to keep a good thing when they have it.

It was a great year, 1892 was. The amount of whisky produced breaks the record.

JOHN BLODGETT "had lots of fun out of it." John is a great funmaker.

THANK GOD! The "farmer" bugaboo is dead—in a door nail.

ME and PA seem to be hopelessly lost in the shuffle.

## AMUSEMENT NOTES.

There was a full rehearsal of "The Gondoliers" last evening. It is said that the public presentation will be very elaborate and finished. The sale of seats will begin at 9 o'clock this morning.

"The Eagle's Nest" is doing a fairly good business in The Grand. There will be a matinee performance tomorrow afternoon.

"Gloriana," said to be the brightest comedy in existence, will be played in the P-wers one week from tonight.

There will be a matinee performance in Smith's opera house this afternoon. Next week Ida Van Cortland will play a repertoire engagement in The Grand.

## STATE PRESS GOSSIP.

New York is agitating the question of abolishing capital punishment, and Michigan is likewise discussing the feasibility of restoring it. Strange as it may seem, the system of punishment by vote in either state does not prevent the committing of murder.—Fenton Independent.

It is announced that the new Illinois legislature will wipe from the statute books every vestige of the principle of compulsory education. This is the first fruit of the triumph of "tariff reform" in the state of Lincoln, Grant and Logan.—Adrian Times.

Gov. Edwin R. Winans will retire from office with a proud and enviable record to his credit. In his official duties he has been careful, consistent and conscientious—in every sense an able officer.—Ionia Standard.

The state legislature has organized, with William Aldrich Tatum for speaker. This is a victory for Grand Rapids over Detroit.—Big Rapids Bulletin.

The thermometer is way down among the small figures, but the gas meter is doing business with the big numerals the same as ever.—Bay City Tribune.

Mr. Gladstone has won fresh praise by refusing to appoint a poet laureate to succeed Tennyson.—Kalamazoo Telegraph.

## HIT AND MISS BRIEVITIES.

Tammany has some queer ideas of proportion. Dr. Parkhurst's agent, who was arrested the other day, was held in \$7,500 bail, while Marvin, the "green goods" swindler, was turned loose on bail of \$1,000.—Springfield Union.

Canada will soon be fit for admission to the great sisterhood of states! The Law Society of Toronto has just decided that women shall be admitted to practice in the courts.—New York Recorder.

The fun will begin at Harrisburg next Monday. It is expected that the members of the legislature will do a little caucusing of their own when they get together.—Harrisburg Patriot.

Mr. Cleveland does not point to any candidate or indicate any preference of his own. He simply protests against sending to the senate a man of Mr. Murphy's type.—New York Herald.

Up to date that much talked of wild and frantic democratic rush for office is transacting all of its business in the editorial rooms of the republican newspapers.—New York World.

The Mexican soldier's military career seems to consist in saving himself in some battles so that he may live to save himself in others.—Chicago News-Record.

Mr. Rockefeller's additional gift of \$1,000,000 to the Chicago university again directs public attention to Jay Gould's will.—New York Commercial.

## ALLEGED TO BE FUNNY.

Actor (on the stage)—Is there any place in the whole wide world that I can go?

Uncle Timothy—Yes, by jingo. I'm needin' a man to feed cattle the worst kind, young feller.

"Hello, Stranders, still suffering from insomnia?"

Stranders—No; I found the confounded trouble was killing me and so I joined the police force.

Little Lute—Was you ever in a museum, Miss Tweeter?

Miss Tweeter—No, dearie; why?

Little Lute—Well, ma said you was awful two-faced.

Madge—Are you perfectly sure Tom has sworn off drinking?

Hettie—Yes, I was with him at the theater and there wasn't a thing on his breath but cloves.

There is a man in our town.

We hope he has no doubts.

He'll borrow any thing on earth.

From money down to trouble.

Chicago, even when she does things by halves, does them well. Look at the gutter press.

Broke the Record.

LOXON, Jan. 5.—James A. Loxon, the well known amateur skater, performed an unprecedented feat in the skating line today at Lingay Fen. He skated one mile with three sharp turns in 3 minutes and 22 4-5 seconds.

## FOR AND ABOUT WOMEN.

If the girl of the picture had an ugly elbow it would never have done in the world for her to have worn that costume. But even if you have an ugly elbow—how few women have not—there is a device by which you can wear the ever popular elbow sleeve and yet not offend. It is not by the old notion of a deep fall of lace put in the edge of the sleeve, and which everyone knows is there just because your elbow is bad, but by a very fall ruffle in just at the elbow and not all around. Not only is the design accomplished, but with so little lace. It is such a good way to use those two fine pieces that were never long enough for

the head, which dethroned his reason. He was reported among the dead, but finally recovered, having escaped the massacre of the crew of the Virginia, which followed its captain. For over twenty years he has wandered about in a dazed condition, and it was only by an accident that his whereabouts were discovered. He will be brought to Dubuque and cared for by friends.

## One Is Enough.

MONTREAL, Jan. 5.—T. W. Russell, liberal unionist, member for Tyrone, Ireland, who has just completed a tour of Canada, says:

"The province of Quebec proved to be a veritable political gold mine for me. Here you have home rule and the Catholic church supreme as a political machine. This is what Ireland would be if Mr. Gladstone could have his way. I could say much, and in another place I shall say it. This much may be said: Quebec is enough for the nineteenth century. We shall not permit a second to be set up in Ireland."

Heals by a Touch.

BINGHAM, N. Y., Jan. 5.—Thomas Warden, whose residence is near the Chicago stock yards in that city, is causing a whirlwind of excitement among the colored population of this section. He came here a week ago and began holding revivals at the African church on Whitney street. He soon developed curable powers which were regarded as miraculous and styled himself "The Healing Evangelist." By touching the halt, lame and blind he worked wondrous cures and soon colored patients from all parts of the country flocked to him.

## Republicans Win in Kansas.

TOPEKA, Kas., Jan. 5.—The case over the mandamus cases are at an end and the republicans have scored a victory over the populists on every point at issue. The court has fully decided that it has no power to reconvene the state board of canvassers except that it could be shown there was an error in the work. A new element in the senatorial fight is the announced candidacy of Congressman Baker, who was summoned home from Washington post haste and will be pushed by the "middle-of-the-road populists."

## Talking Through His Hat.

BOSTON, Jan. 5.—Jack McAuliffe said last evening that he was ready to make a match with Dick Burge at 133 pounds at a purse not less than \$50,000. In referring to the late talk about "crookedness" McAuliffe further said that there was no one who had a thing to show that Burge contemplated "laying down."

## Mazon Wiped Out.

MORRIS, Ill., Jan. 5.—The main business portion of Mazon, a small town six miles south of this city, was fired and entirely destroyed by fire last night, six or eight hundred farms being burned out before the flames could be subdued. The loss on buildings and merchandise is estimated at \$35,000.

## Bowen Wins.

NEW ORLEANS, Jan. 5.—Andy Bowen concluded the first event of the Crescent City Athletic club tonight by knocking Joe Fielden out in twenty-two rounds. The club had little trouble in impressing the immense throng that was present that it was a substantial institution from the ground up.

## Colorado Deadlock.

DENVER, Jan. 5.—The Colorado senate is in a deadlock over permanent officers, the selection of assistant secretary being the only progress made. For secretary of senate there are three candidates and the vote stood: Kennedy, democrat, 6; Paddock, populist, 13; Temple, republican, 15.

## Many Cigars Burned.

PITTSBURG, Jan. 5.—Fire which started from unknown causes at 10:45 o'clock tonight in the cigar factory owned by Collins & Kitzmaker, in the rear of P. Duft & Sons, No. 333 1/2 Broadway avenue, completely destroyed that plant and contents. Loss \$300,000.

## Little Miss Harrison Improving.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 5.—Little Martina Harrison continues to improve, but the White house is still quarantined and big placards containing the information that contagion exists within are displayed in entrances to the private part of the mansion.

## Would-Be Senators.

BISMARCK, N. D., Jan. 5.—The senatorial fight began in earnest today. Four candidates have opened headquarters at the Sheridan and the Fifth, ex-Governor Ordway will be here on Sunday from Washington.

## Will Renominate Hancock.

ALBANY, Jan. 5.—The republican members of the state legislature will hold a caucus next Wednesday night, when Senator Frank Hancock will in all probability be renominated.

## Von Schmerlin Dying.

VIENNA, Jan. 5.—Anton von Schmerlin, who is noted as one of the founders of the Austrian constitution, is dying.

## Scarlet Fever Raging.

TECUMSEH, Jan. 5.—Scarlet fever bids fair to become epidemic here. Nearly half a dozen cases and two deaths have already been reported. The victims yesterday were Miss Merie Dickson and a little son of A. O. Brown. Miss Dickson's ailment changed from scarlet fever to a malignant form of diphtheria, and it was the latter disease which finally caused her death. The public schools have been closed.

## Failure at Kalamazoo.

KALAMAZOO, Jan. 5.—John C. Fleming, proprietor of grain elevators here and at La Grange, Ind., and a feed mill at Husterford, Ind., has given mortgage for \$2,500 on his goods, grain and books to the First National bank, which have been foreclosed. His liabilities are \$4,500; assets, like amount. George Ackley attached 1,300 bushels of wheat which he had in storage.

## Fire Bugs at Work.

BATTLE CREEK, Jan. 5.—Fire broke out in the large lumber mill of H. Hart & Knight on West Main street and came near destroying both buildings and contents. The property was saved by efficient work of the department, but there is a loss of over \$1,000 on the whole. The fire was probably the work of an incendiary.

## Reward for Leitch's Murderer.

INDIAN, Jan. 5.—At a special session of the supervisors of Shawanago county today \$500 reward was voted for the apprehension of the Leitch murderer. Mrs. Leitch is still living. There are slight chances for her recovery. Leitch's funeral occurs next Sunday forenoon.

## Wants Big Money.

KALAMAZOO, Jan. 5.—John McSweeney, the veteran coal dealer, has brought suit for \$10,000 against the Grand Rapids & Ind. Coal Co. for injuries recently received. He was thrown from a car which was on a side track and was being moved by a switch engine.

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